## WHITE HAS TILT WITH MONTAGUE

President of Railway and Former Governor Deny what Each other Says.

#### ATMOSPHERE WAS TENSE FOR WHILE

Both Disclaimed Intention to Be
Discourteous, However, and
Grew Calmer—Long Arguments Over Repeal
Bill Before Committee:

BY LEWIS IL MACHEN.
The fight over the repeal of the statute prohibiting the paralleling of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad was the central fact in yesterday's legislative history. There were other events, of course, at both and of the Capitol, but they were overshadowed by this. Judicial dress reform received a setback when the Court of Appeals to wear gowns, and further declined to reconsider the vote by which the resolution had been rejected. There was a warm debate in form movement, is a political call on of a "dictatorial and dangerous character."

T. DeQuincy Tuller, secretary of the Enforcement Society of New York, addressed the convention to-day. He said: "The passing of local option laws in Kentucky and the going dry of numerous States mean nothing. It is by no means an indication that the people of the country want temperance, but that they want the abuses of the saloons corrected. At the bottom of all law-breaking, petty intrigue, small and large graft, debauchery and vice, is the lawless saloon. It is the conversible of the country's iniquity. With its disappearance, by the enforcement of the excise law, the propole will have better government, finer homes and large industries. It is possible to make the convention to-day. He converse the convention to-day. He said: "The passing of local option laws in Kentucky and the going dry of numerous States mean nothing. It is the possible of the country want temperance, but that they want the abuses of the salons corrected. At the bottom of all law-breaking, petty intrigue, small and large graft, debauchery and vice, is the lawless saloon. It is the conversation of the country's iniquity. With its disappearance, by the enforcement of the country want temperance, but that they want the abuses of the salons corrected. At the bottom of all law-breaking, petty intrigue, small and large graft. At the bottom of all law-breakin the enforcement of the laws, the club jected. There was a warm debate in of power will be snatched from the the Senate over the effort to pass by thiof and the thug."

In the House a number of routine matters were considered, and a few local and unimportant bills were passed.

The R., F. & P. Fight.

The Committees on Roads of the two houses convened in Joint season in the chamber of the Corporation Commission at 10 A. M., and sat until nearly noon. They reassembled in the Senate chamber at (P. M., and sat until soin at 10 A. M., and sat until nearly noon. They reassembled in the Senate chamber at (P. M., and sat until soin at 10 A. M., and sat until soin at 10 A. M., and sat until soin at 10 A. M. and sat until soin

The afternoon session was occupied chiefly by the argument of the State Treasurer, representing the Sinking Fund Commissioners. He showed the value of the interest of the State in Fund Commissioners. He showed the value of the interest of the State in the road, declaring that it was sufficient to take care of the public debt. He pleaded earnestly with the committee not to jeopardize this valuable arset. As to the probable effect of the proposed repeal upon the value of the stock of dividend obligations, he was rejuctant to prophesy, but said that he was unwilling in a matter of such importance to the State to take any chances. Ho was freely piled with questions, which he answered with promptness and spirit, and which considerably extended his remarks.

The night session attracted the larger crowd, both on the floor and in the galleries, and some feeling developed among the opposing speakers, which was more pronounced than pleasant. Senator Lassiter further complicated the situation by the introduction of another conditional repeal measure, giving the road five years in which to build branch lines satisfactory to the Corporation Commission, the price of failure to be an unconditional repeal and compliance to be the retention of the present plan.

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The president of the road spoke earnestly and strongly against the repeal and declared that the road was not dominated by any foreign corperation. This was in reply to numerous insinuations and some direct charges that the pennsylvania Rallroad controlled the burg and Potomae Railroad Company.

Atmosphere Tense.

But by far the most stirring feature of the entire hearing was the breaking away of three of the State provises—Messrs. Moors Montague and Meredith—from their five colleagues by declaring that in their onlinon the interests of the State would not be damaged by the repeal. They were sliarply cross-examined by president White and others, and some of the Richmond, Fredericks president White especially resented to the Richmond, Fredericks president White especially resented to the Richmond, Fredericks provises—Messrs. Moors Montague and Meredith—from their five colleagues by declaring that in their onlinon the interests of the State would not be faintinged by president White and others, and some of the Richmond, Fredericks provise and the Richmond, Fredericks provise and the Ponnsylvania was the dominant influence in the management of the Richmond, Fredericks provise and the Ponnsylvania was the dominant influence in the management of the Richmond, Fredericks provise and the Ponnsylvania was the dominant influence in the management of the Richmond, Fredericks provise and the Ponnsylvania was the dominant influence in the management of the Richmond, Fredericks provise and the Ponnsylvania was the dominant influence in the management of the Richmond, Fredericks provise and the

#### FOR BETTER LICENSE LAWS WILL FILE CHARGES Model License Lengue Declare for Temperauce, but Condemn Prohibition. LOUISVILLE, KY, January 22.—The Model License League, composed of men interested in the manufacture and sale of spiritous and mait liquors, to-day adopted resolutions declaring for AGAINST RHEA TO-DAY

day adopted resolutions declaring for temperance and condomning laws intended to destroy their properties and favoring strict observance of license laws by liquor-dealers as a means to prevent further prohibition legislation. The resolutions point out that centuries of experience go to show that laws for the prohibition of the sale and manufacture of alcoholic beverages, while destructive in their nature, are alsolutely lilegal, impossible of enforcement, and assert that the Anti-Saloon League, far from being a reform movement, is a political organization of a "dictatorial and dangerous Senator Noel Preparing to Submit Specific Allegations to Committee.

REW MAY CALL FOR WITHDRAWAL

Friends of Rhea Said to Be Contemplating Flank Movement by Attack on Judge Blackstone-Bristol Bar Meets and Indorses Action of Governor.

### For Open Sessions

"So far as I am personnily concerned. I favor open seasions of the Committee on Confirmation. I have not consulted with my colleagues on the subject, and therefore speak only for myself, but in my view of the case, this is a matter in which sil the people are interested, and they should be informed promptly as to what action is taken. If Senator Noel can substantiate his charges against Judge Rhea the people are entitled to this information, and if he fails and Judge Rhea is vindicated there is equal reuson for publicity. I shall offer and silvavente a resolution for open sessions,"—Statement of Hon. Thomas S. West of Bedford, chairman of the Joint Committee on Confirmation.

y the present railway between Richard on the development of all the territory hrough which it passes. One speaker of the development of all the territory hrough which it passes. One speaker of the desirability of the desirability of opening up the portion of the State one closed against new railroad enterprises by the present statute. Strong opposition was experimination. There were charges that the road was run in the interest of through traffic and transportation, which did not concern the people of Virginia. The doctrine against special privilege was invoked with great earnestness and with apparent effect.

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Federal officials gave no intimation as to the purpose of the grand jury investigation, and members of the association expressed surprise over the action. In addition to President Fostater, the newly elected officers to-day are A. J. Neimyer, St. Louis, treasurer, and G. K. Smith, St. Louis, secretary, and G. K. Smith, St. Louis, secretary developed the secretary and G. K

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The Times-Dispatch last night received the following from its correspondent at Bristol:

"At a meeting of the Bristol Bar Association in the Corporation Court room to-day to consider Senator Noel's attack on Hon. William F. Rhea, in connection with the question of the confirmation of his nomination to be a member of the State Corporation Commission, there were present the following attorneys: Judge A. A. Phlegar, Joseph L. Kelly, H. G. Peters, A. H. Blanchard, John E. Burson, J. Cloyd Byars, Floyd Roberts, Paul Dulaney, Henry Roberts, H. W. Sutherland, James L. Davis, Judge N. P. Oglesby and Judge John W. Price,

"The meeting was called to order by A. H. Blanchard, and Judge A. A. Phlegar was called to the chair, Mr. D. D. Hull, Jr., was made secretary, Mr. Joseph L. Kelly stated the object of the meeting, and upon motion the following committee on resolutions was named by the chair: Messrs, John W. Price, Joseph L. Kelly, Floyd Roberts, John E. Burson and A. H. Blanchard, Resolutions Reported.

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Had He Seté te 1903 What He Does Now, Result Would Have Been Different.

ADBANY, N. Y., January 22.—Expendent of the Unifed States, had his attention called this evening to an extract from the speech of William J. Bryan hefore the Democratic members of the Kentucky Legislature yeslerday, in which Mr. Bryan was quoted as saying that 1904 he feloch his medicine in Parkfor. Parker was the man above all thers I did not want. Judge Parker. What a pity, said Judge Parker. The work of the park would be said in 1904. Fad he to be equally fraink in 1904. Fad he to be equally better than it is. There were but few Democrats in that year who thought it wise to have a third-term candidate. But the man of sense knew that if ties a fad he would be as a man could be found who would receive Mr. Bryan's support his warm personal following would seek revenge for the defeats of 1896 and 1900. So statemen, politicians and interested citizens sought diligently to find some one that he would support.

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The announcement of his own candidacy by Governor Hughes, of New York, at Albany yesterday, still further complicates the situation for the Republicans. There is no doubt that this announcement gave the administration recopie, all backing Taft, more concern than the candidacy of all the other men mentioned as opposing Taft for the nomination.

The Democrats are embarrassed by the fact that they have only one candidate, the Republicans by the fact that they have so many.

### NOT SENT BY RUSSIA

### BUARD OF TRADE FEAST

possible all suggestions looking to this cut.

Baron Mayor Des Flances: Senators The report of the discharges created the Members of both branches of the Members of both branches of the Legislature discussed the Rhea matter freely yesterday, and last night it was the chief topic around the hotels.

Judge Rhea will be confirmed unless Senator Noel or some one elso is able to file serious charges against him and then bear them out by competent evidence

The meeting this afternoon will undoubtedly be an open one, and the general opinion is that after the filing of the formal charges by Senator Noel or some one and the general opinion is that after the filing of the formal charges by Senator Noel or some one and the general opinion is that after the filing of the formal charges by Senator Noel or the formal charges or the widest constent of the widest constent of the widest constent of the widest

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# KILLS MAN AND SELF

SHAW MAY BE CANDIDATE

Demogratis Embarrassed by Having But Green Candidate.

[From Our Regular Correspondent].

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 22.

The retirement of Lesile M. Shaw, former Secretary of the Treatury, from the presidency of the Carnegie Trust Company, of New York, is believed in a public place.

The announcement of his own candidate for the Republican presidential nomination.

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A Reward

for a better city than "little old, solid old Richmond" would remain unclaimed. Who could challenge her po-

Her banks always pay cash and are growing. Confidence is never shaken. Business is expanding with

8,302 lines (593 inches) more bank advertising were printed in The Times-Dispatch the first twenty-two days of January, 1908, than for the same days in January, 1907. Publicity is an evidence of self-confidence and a

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### CRITICIZE THE PRESIDENT

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Taken to Task by Senstors for Making Tayliff Treaty With Germany, WASHINGTON, January 22.—President Roosevelt to-day transmitted to the Senate and the House copies of the tariff regulations negotiated some time ago between the United States and Germany, together with a proposed amendment to the customs administration, act, putting the same in force as a statute.

In the Senate the message aroused lively discussion in executive session when it was taken up. The President's course, not only in negotiating the agreement, but in proclaiming it to the world, as he did last July, was sharply criticized. It was declared that the agreement makes changed which are equivalent to legislation, and it was pointed out that all legislation affecting the tariff must, under the Constitution, originate in the House of Representatives. Attention was called to the third section of the McKinley law as possibly permitting the President's course, but his critics contended that his action in this case on had gone for beyond the limits permitted by that section.

It was pointed out that the German Kaiser had not only referred the agreement to the Reichstag for its action but that he had even consulted both the local and the national boards of trade. Hence the President was charged with being even more auto-of charged with being even

### WILL OF MRS. SEMPLE

# MOTHER'S SAD STORY OF THAW'S INFANCY

She Tells of His Nervous Sleeplessness and His Strange Eyes.

#### MAY HAVE DOCTORS ON STAND TO DAY

Those from Rome, Paris and London to Testify as to Man's Condition When They Treated Him-Dr. Comstock, Teacher and Alienist, on Stand.

NEW YORK, January 22.—The end of the second Thaw trial is fast apthe day, when Dr. Charles G, Wagner, the first of the allenists to be called by the defense, took the stand for his preliminary examination. Anthony Comstock, vice-president of the Society Comstock, vice-president of the Society for the Suppression of Vice, had been heard as a witness earlier in the day, and Mrs. William Thaw, mother of the defendant, had completed her testimony. The kindergarten teacher who had charge of Harry Thaw as a lad of six, also testified.

Mr. Comstock's testimony, while new, had been discounted by the known facts of Thaw's appeal to him to be six and the six and the six and the six and the six also testified.

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